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Notice of Abandonment

Application No. 08/472,876

Applicant(s)

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Xu Mei 2644 - The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address This application is abandoned in view of: 1. Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on ___ (a) A reply was received on __ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on _____ (b) A proposed reply was received on ______, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113(a) to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114). (c) No response has been received. 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85). (a) \square The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on $_$ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated ______), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance. (b) The submitted issue fee of \$_____ is insufficient. A balance of \$____ is due. The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$_____. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d) is \$_____. (c) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received. 3. Applicant's failure to timely file new formal drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37). (a) Proposed new formal drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated ________), which is after the expiration of the period for reply. (b) The proposed new formal drawings filed on ______ are not acceptable and the period for reply has expired. (c) \square No proposed new formal drawings have been received. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire 4. interest, or all of the applicants. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 5. 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences rendered on _ 6. period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims. and because the 7. X The reason(s) below: As required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7), appellant needs to explain why the claims of the group are believed to be separately patentable. Merely pointing out differences in what the claims cover is not an argument as to why the claims are separately patentable. As required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(8), appellant needs to present an argument under a

separate heading for each issue on appeal.

PRIMARY EXAMINER ART UNIT 2644

Communication Re: Appeal

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1. 🗆	The	Notice of Appeal filed on is not acceptable because:
(a)	□ it	was not timely filed.
(b)	☐ th	ne statutory fee for filing the appeal was not submitted. See 37 CFR 1.17(b).
(c)	☐ th	ne appeal fee received on was not timely filed.
(d)	☐ th	ne submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. The appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b) is \$
(e)		ne appeal is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.191 in that there is no record of a second or a final rejection on this application.
(f)	□а	Notice of Allowability, PTO-37, was mailed by the Office on
2. 🗆	The	appeal brief filed on is NOT acceptable for the reason(s) indicated below:
(a)	☐ th	ne brief and/or brief fee is untimely. See 37 CFR 1.192.
(b)	☐ th	ne statutory fee for filing the brief has not been submitted. See 37 CFR 1.17(c).
(c)	☐ th	ne submitted brief fee of \$ is insufficient. The brief fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c) is \$
The requ	appea	al in this application will be dismissed unless corrective action is taken to timely submit the brief and fee. Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a).
3. 🕅	The	appeal in this application is DISMISSED because:
(a)	☐ th	ne statutory fee for filing the brief as required under 37 CFR 1.17(c) was not timely submitted and the period for btaining an extension of time to file the brief under 37 CFR 1.136 has expired.
(b)		ne brief was not timely filed and the period for obtaining an extension of time to file the brief under 37 CFR 1.136 as expired.
(c)	□R	Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 was filed on
(d)	o	ther:
4. 🏻	Bec	ause of the dismissal of the appeal, this application:
(a)	X is	s abandoned because there are no allowed claims.
(b)		s before the examiner for final disposition because it contains allowed claims. Prosecution on the merits remains CLOSED.
(c)		s before the examiner for consideration of the submission and prosecution has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR .114.

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